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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the International Water Management Institute has emphasized in its report, that the vigorous use of bio-fuel plants can vanish the water resources in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the remedial steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES(SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) The paper of International Water Management Institute (IWMI) on `Biofuels and Implications for Agricultural Water Use: Blue Impacts of Green Energy` has explored the land and water implications of increased biofuel production globally and with special focus on China and India. The report concludes that, although of minor concern at global level, local and regional impacts could be substantial. However, nowhere in the paper, it has been mentioned that the vigorous use of biofuel plant can vanish the water resources in the country.

(b) & (c) Do not arise.